

## AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL PROGRAM, VT

## **FACT SHEET**

**DESCRIPTION:** The Aquatic Plant Control program authorizes the Corps of Engineers to cooperate with other Federal and non-Federal agencies in comprehensive programs for the control of obnoxious aquatic plants, which have adverse effects on navigation and the ecosystem. The Aquatic Plant Control (APC) program for the State of Vermont is in the Lake Champlain Basin. Lake Champlain is located between New York on the west and Vermont on the east. Approximately 1,615 acres of the aquatic plants, water chestnut, and Eurasian watermilfoil infest the Lake Champlain Basin.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Section 104 of the River and Harbor Act of 1958, as amended

**STATUS:** FY 2004 Federal funds in the amount of \$309,000 are being used by the New York District to continue the Aquatic Plant Control (APC) program with the State of Vermont in the Lake Champlain Basin. Areas of interest for this FY have been coordinated with the State of Vermont. The FY 2004 APC Project Cooperation Agreement was executed on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2004 and work will be completed in September 2004.

**PROJECT COST:** \$309,000 Federal funds in FY 2004

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